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SUBJECT: CONVERSION OF COAL TO LIQUID FUEL

FOR BUREAU OF MINES

1. COLOMBIAN MINISTRY OF MINES IS INTERESTED IN AVAILABLE DATA AND RESEARCH IN PROGRESS RE CONVERSION OF COAL TO LIQUID FUEL. INTEREST IS BASED ON LONG- RANGE PLANNING RELATED TO IMPENDING SHORTAGE OF PETROLEUM AND ABUNDANCE OF COAL DEPOSITS IN COLOMBIA. MINISTRY UNDERSTANDS THAT OFFICE OF COAL RESEARCH IS SUPPORTING RESEARCH PROGRAMS ON COAL CONVERSION BEING CONDUCTED BY HYDROCARBON RESEARCHINC., CONSOLIDATION COAL COMPANY, FMC, AND ATLANTIC REFINING.

2. MINISTRY DESIRES TO SEND SPECIAL CONSULTANT, DR. JAIME DIAZ AMAYA, TO U. S. TO REVIEW PRESENT RESEARCH ACTIVITIES AND OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION RE PROSPECTIVE COSTS OF CONVERSION OPERATIONS. DR. DIAZ HAS ALREADY UNDERTAKEN SIMILAR STUDY IN WEST GERMANY. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION FROM BUREAU OF MINES AS TO WHETHER IT MIGHT FACILITATE DISCUSSIONS BY DR. DIAZ WITH ABOVE COMPANIES AND ANY OTHERS WHICH MAY BE INVOLVED IN COAL CONVERSION RESEARCH.  
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